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Sri S. RAMALINGAM :—" யூனிவர்சிடி கிராண்ட் கமிஷனில் சேர்ந்திருக்கக்கூடிய எல்லா யூனிவர்சிடிகளின் கீழிருக்கக்கூடிய எல்லா புரொபசர்களுக்கும், லெக்சரர்களுக்கும் ஒரு அடிப்படையான சம்பளம் நிர்ணயிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது. அவர்கள் பெறக்கூடிய சம்பள விகிதத்தை சர்க்கார் கல்லூரிகளிலிருக்கும் புரொபசர்களுக்கும், லெக்சரர்களுக்கும் கொடுப்பதற்கு சர்க்கார் முன்வருவார்களா ? "

Mr. SPEAKER :—" மூலக் கேள்விக்கும் இதற்கும் சம்பந்தமில்லையே ? வேறு கேள்வி வேண்டுமானால் போடுங்கள்."

Introduction of land reforms in the State.

* 205 *Q.*—Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received from the Secretary, All-India Congress Committee, any communication relating to agrarian reforms ;

(*b*) whether the Government have decided to fix a ceiling on holdings ; and

(*c*) if so, when the reforms will be introduced?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) A communication was received by the Chief Minister in May last from the General Secretary, All-India Congress Committee addressed to him personally.

" (*b*) Not yet, Sir.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, consequent on the recent publication in the press of a news item that a ceiling is to be fixed for holding in respect of the various persons, are Government aware of the fact that private landlords owning vast areas in Malabar are resorting to the malpractice of leasing out their lands in the names of others with the motive that they may be exempted from the ceiling to be fixed? If so, will that fact be taken cognizance of by the Government? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, the arms of the law are long enough to overcome malpractices of any kind that are taking place."

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Sir, my original question was whether the Government have received any communication and the Hon. Minister says that the Hon. the Chief Minister in his private capacity has received a letter. May I know whether the Hon. Minister himself has seen the contents of that communication and known that it is a private communication and if so what was the reason for him to know of that communication? "

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, correspondence is of different varieties and when a correspondence is private, it refers to private matters and they may

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be love affairs also. (Laughter.) Simply because, the designation of a person either as Chief Minister or as Revenue Minister is also given it does not become public. Here it is only private.''

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—'' May I know whether the Hon. the Chief Minister in his personal capacity sent any reply to that communication? ''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—'' Yes, Sir, in the ordinary course, as any other gentleman replies to a letter, he must have replied.''

Number of creches in the City.

* 206 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the number of creches at present in the City of Madras provided—

(1) by the Government, and

(2) by others?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' (1) Nil, Sir.

'' (2) Six, Sir.''

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—'' During 1953, the Corporation has given out that about 23,000 children died. Will the Government consider the establishment of creches so that they may reduce the mortality rate among children? ''

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' Sir, the Government are not proposing to start any creches. Voluntary organizations and the Corporation of Madras have started some creches.''

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—'' May I know the average number of mothers who make use of creches every day in the City of Madras? ''

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' I have no figures with me. If a separate question is put, I shall try to furnish the figures.''

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—'' Has any action been taken against any employers to induce them to provide creches for women and children? ''

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' No, Sir. The Guild of Services has provided one and Messrs. Binny & Co. have provided one for children of women in their employ.''

SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM :—'' May I know what is meant by creches? ''

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—'' Creches are ' Day Nurseries ' for infants and children when their mothers go for work.''